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### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	-20** =	
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Multiple Dependent		
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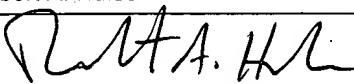
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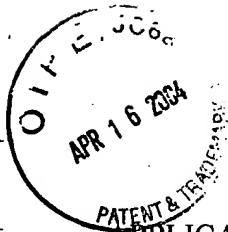
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1452 110	2452 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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1503 640	2503 320	Plant issue fee	
1460 130	1460 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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1810 770	2810 385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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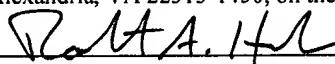
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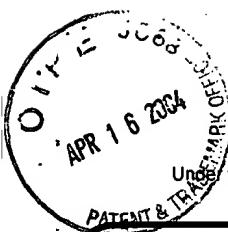
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Consideration of the listed references and favorable action are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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